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SUBJECT: Rwanda: International Assistance in Perspective

There are no complete or comprehensive data on foreign aid to Rwanda. The best available are OECD statistics, which cover OECD donors during the period 1970 to 1992. The following table reflects official net aid flows in millions of \$US, nominal:

Source	1970-4	1975-9	1980-4	1985-9	1990	1991	1992	Total
Belgium	73.6	150.8	136.1	138.4	43.2	56.1	48.1	646.3
Germany	10.1	56.7	104.7	119.7	33.0	44.5	46.3	415.0
France	12.2	47.2	67.0	115.8	32.2	37.6	19.8	331.8
US*	4	16	54	76	13	27	7	197
Canada	8.7	29.2	40.9	41.7	13.8	23.3	15.3	172.9
Switz	6.7	27.9	36.9	50.0	10.2	17.1	13.8	162.6
Japan	x	11.3	21.4	47.7	10.4	8.0	17.7	116.5
EC	23.2	82.5	82.2	123.3	36.0	21.4	82.5	451.1
IDA	8.1	39.7	71.6	153.9	21.0	47.0	29.9	371.2
Multilat Total	45.0	182.4	277.3	457.4	98.9	126.8	165.1	1352.9
OECD plus Multilat TOTAL	163.7	531.4	785.4	1154.4	287.9	365.9	354.8	3643.5

\* OECD statistics do not agree with official USG statistics (see attached tables).

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The OECD figures are not comprehensive. For instance, the People's Republic of China was a major aid donor, especially in the 1970s, and helped Rwanda build perhaps the best road network in the region.

Military aid. No reliable breakdown of military aid, except for US assistance, is available. According to DIA, between independence and 1989, military assistance to Rwanda from abroad totaled about \$43 million. The most important suppliers were Belgium, China, and Libya, in that order. After the RPF invasion of 1990, France provided the lion's share of foreign military aid. French troops were present until December 1993; as many as 600 troops were deployed in early 1993, mostly in a training role. France also contributed several helicopters, armored cars, light weapons and ammunition to the Rwandan military. South Africa also sold small arms and ammunition during this period, and Egypt provided some field artillery and ammunition.

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